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UPDATE**

To: All ESRD Providers

As you may know, the renal community is working together with CMS to build an integrated ESRD information system called Consolidated Renal Operations in a Web-enabled Network (CROWN-Web). As part of this effort, Network 7 has been awarded the ESRD Quality Infrastructure Support contract. The purpose of this contract is to support the development of CROWN-Web to (1) replace SIMS and VISION and (2) electronically capture and report information necessary to support the ESRD Program going forward.

One task involved in this contract is the development of business requirements for implementation of CROWN-Web. Based on the software development lifecycle designed for the CROWN-Web project a set of seed business requirements must be agreed upon by the renal community in a short timeframe. Participation by ESRD providers and other end users will be key to the successful development of these requirements.

**Your Input Is Essential!**

In order to efficiently and effectively accomplish this task, we are providing you with an attached copy of the seed business requirements developed by CMS in order to obtain your comments and suggestions. Our goal is to obtain consensus on the requirements and to submit a final version to CMS. A copy of the draft kidney data dictionary is

also attached and will provide reference information for the business requirements document. When reviewing the materials, please consider not only the current information, but other potential requirements that are not included with the attached seed business requirements.

Please submit your comments on the seed business requirements to Network 7 **no later than Wednesday, August 30, 2006** via fax (813-354-1514) or email (info@nw7.esrd.net). We realize the short turnaround time may limit your ability to provide a detailed review; therefore, we ask that you focus your comments and suggestions to the most significant issues.

The input and opinions of the ESRD providers are highly valued. In order to achieve the maximum level of responsiveness and to accept ongoing feedback, Network 7 is developing a system that will allow you to submit comments and suggestions for the CROWN-Web system throughout the duration of this project.

Thank you again for your assistance and support of this activity.

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